

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the Claims 2 and 5, amended the title, and amended the drawings. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the claims, title and drawings are supported by the application as originally filed and do not contain any new matter. Therefore, the Office Action will be discussed in terms of the claims, title, and drawings as amended.

The Examiner has objected to the drawings and requested that Figure 6 be designated as prior art. By the replacement sheet submitted for Figure 6, Applicant has designated Figure 6 as prior art. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

The Examiner has requested that a new title be supplied which is more descriptive. Applicant has provided a new title which Applicant believes is more indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

The Examiner has rejected the Claim 5, stating that it is of improper multiple dependent form. Applicant has amended the Claim 5 to correct the multiple dependency, and respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the objection.

The Examiner has rejected the Claims 2 and 4/2 under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by Satoh, stating that Satoh discloses all of the elements of Applicant's invention.

Applicant has carefully reviewed Satoh, and first directs the Examiner's attention to Figure 1 thereof. In the circuit of Figure 1 of Satoh, a series circuit comprised of L1 and Z is provided, but Applicant respectfully submits that this is not a parallel tuning circuit as is required by Applicant's invention. Still further, in Satoh, between the emitter of the signal inverting amplifier Tr and ground are provided a capacitance C3 and a parallel resonance circuit that is comprised of coil L1, Z and capacitances C2 and C4. In addition, the capacitance C3 in Satoh and the parallel resonance circuit comprising the coil L1, Z and capacitances C2 and C4 form a series circuit. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that Satoh does not disclose a structure in which an output terminal of the signal inverting amplifier is grounded via a series connection of a capacitance and a parallel tuning circuit as is required by Applicant's Claim 2. Still further, Applicant respectfully submits that in Applicant's invention as claimed by Claim 2, is claimed a construction in which a connection point of the capacitance and the parallel tuning circuit is connected to an input terminal of the signal inverting amplifier via two series capacitances. Applicant's review of Satoh indicates that the connection point of the capacitance

C3 and the parallel resonance circuit refers to the connection point of the capacitance C3 and Z and therefore, Satoh does not have a series circuit that is comprised of two capacitances that connect at the connection point and the input terminal, namely the base of Tr. In other words, Applicant respectfully submits that the capacitances C1 and C2 in Satoh are not connected to the connection point of the capacitances C3 and Z. Also, one end of the capacitance C1 in Satoh is not provided between L1 and the piezoelectric oscillator Y1. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Satoh does not disclose a structure in which a connection point of the capacitance and the parallel tuning circuit is connected to an input terminal of the signal inverting amplifier via two series-connected capacitances. Still further, Applicant respectfully submits that Satoh also does not disclose a connection point of two series-connected capacitances grounded via the piezoelectric vibrator and a frequency adjusting element.

In view of the above, therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Satoh does not disclose each and every element of Applicant's invention as claimed by Claim 2 and that Claims 2 and 4/2 are not anticipated thereby.

Applicant also acknowledges the Examiner's statement that Claims 1, 3 and 4/1 are allowed.


Applicant further respectfully and retroactively requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action, and respectfully requests that the extension fee in the sum of \$120.00 be charged to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

In view of the above, therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that this amendment be entered, favorably considered, and the case passed to issue.

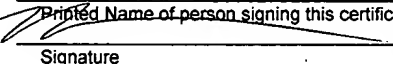
Please charge any additional costs incurred by or in order to implement this amendment or required by any requests for extension of time to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

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